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In re the Application of

Noboru KIMURA et al.

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For:

PYROLYTIC BORON NITRIDE DOUBLE CONTAINER AND MANUFACTURE THEREOF

> LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND

TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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